IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

BRIAN J. SMITH,)
Petitioner,)
٧.) 1:18CV1053
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
Respondent.)

ORDER

On July 11, 2019, the United States Magistrate Judge's Recommendation was filed and notice was served on Petitioner pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636.

Petitioner filed objections [Doc. #8] to the Recommendation within the time limit prescribed by Section 636. The Court has reviewed Petitioner's objections de novo and finds they do not change the substance of the United States Magistrate Judge's Recommendation [Doc. #4], which is affirmed and adopted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that, to the extent Petitioner seeks relief under 28 U.S.C. § 2241, the Petition [Doc. #2] is DENIED under Rule 4 of the Rules Governing Section 2254 Proceedings, and the Clerk will notify Petitioner of that dismissal.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, to the extent the Petition could be construed as raising claims under § 2255, it is denied as an attempt at raising second or

successive claims without authorization or, alternatively, treated as an attempt to amend 1:16CV695 and denied.

Finding no substantial issue for appeal concerning the denial of a constitutional right affecting the conviction, nor a debatable procedural ruling, a certificate of appealability is denied.

This, the 4th day of August, 2020.

/s/ N. Carlton Tilley, Jr.
Senior United States District Judge